IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

CAMILLE FASSETT,)
1474 University Ave #97)
Berkeley, CA 94702)
•) Case No. 19-cv-1495
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,)
935 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW)
Washington, DC 20535)
)
Defendant.)

COMPLAINT

1. Plaintiff CAMILLE FASSETT files this Freedom of Information Act suit seeking agency records of FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION regarding hacker Adrian Lamo.

PARTIES

- 2. Plaintiff CAMILLE FASSETT made the FOIA request at issue in this case.
- 3. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ("FBI") is a federal agency subject to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. This case is brought under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(c)(i) and presents a federal question conferring jurisdiction on this Court.
 - 5. Venue is proper under 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(B).

DEFENDANT'S FOIA VIOLATION

6. On April 13, 2018, FASSETT requested from FBI "[a]ll agency files on hacker Adrian Lamo." A true and correct copy of the request is attached as Exhibit A.

- 7. On April 18, 2018, FBI acknowledged receipt of the request. A true and correct copy of the acknowledgement is attached as Exhibit B.
- 8. On July 20, 2018, October 31, 2018, January 14, 2019, and April 15, 2019, FASSETT sent follow-up messages to FBI requesting status of its response.
- 9. On April 15, 2019, FBI sent an automatic response asking FASSETT to check the status of the FOIPA Request at http://vault.fbi.gov. A true and correct copy of the message is attached as Exhibit C.
- 10. As of the date of filing, an inquiry into the status of the request on vault.fbi.gov returns a message stating only that the "FBI's FOIPA Program is searching the FBI's indices for potentially responsive documents. You may be contacted via formal letter for all fees and/or negotiation issues that may apply." A true and correct copy of the message is attached as Exhibit D.
- 11. As of the date of filing, FBI has not responded any further or produced any records in response to the request.

COUNT I – VIOLATION OF FOIA

- 12. The above paragraphs are incorporated herein.
- 13. FBI is an agency subject to FOIA.
- 14. Plaintiff made a FOIA request to FBI for agency records of FBI.
- 15. FBI failed to produce the requested records.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff asks the Court to:

- i. Order Defendant to produce the requested records;
- ii. Award Plaintiffs attorney fees and costs; and
- iii. Enter any other relief the Court deems appropriate.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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